

Lady Doctor in the Vaikam District Hospital.

314 *MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether they have received any representations, either this year (1110) or last year, from the public of Vaikam, for a lady doctor in the Vaikam District Hospital and

(b) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, the action taken thereon?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): (a) Yes.

(b) The petitioners were informed that the posting of a lady doctor at Vaikam would receive consideration when more Lady Medical Officers were entertained in the Medical Department.

Bridge across the Alleppey-Shertala Canal.

315 *MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) whether they are convinced of the necessity of a bridge across the Alleppey-Shertala Canal west of the Shertala Police Station, English and Vernacular Schools;

(b) how long it is since the old bridge on the site has gone into disuse; and

(c) whether they are aware that the public and the school-going children are put to very great inconvenience for want of such a bridge?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (a) Yes.

(b) Just over two years.

(c) Yes.

Toll-Gate at Neriamangalam.

316 *MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) when the toll-gate at Neriamangalam was established first; and

(b) the toll revenue accrued to Government from the gate prior to the opening of the Neriamangalam bridge?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (a) From the beginning of 1108 M. E.,

(b) Rs. 21,505 approximately.

Alleppey Water Supply Scheme.

317 *MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to provide drinking water for Alleppey from a reservoir to be erected at Pazhaveed;

(b) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, whether the scheme has been scrutinised by an expert and

(c) the estimated cost and the approximate time for the completion of the scheme?